

# **Cockrell Elementary School** **is collecting shoes to help Soles4Souls in** **fight against global poverty**

*Attention anyone with a closet: Those shoes you no longer want are desperately needed to fight the human tragedy of global poverty.*

**Cockrell Elementary School** has launched a drive to collect shoes to help the poor. Used and new shoes can be dropped off at the school during school hours from **April 4th through April 22nd**. The shoes collected will be delivered to Soles4Souls, an international anti-poverty organization that monetizes used shoes and clothing to create sustainable jobs and fund direct relief efforts. Founded in 2007, the organization has distributed more than 25 million shoes in well over 100 countries.

**Soles4Souls** – which holds the highest rating from nonprofit watchdog Charity Navigator – will convert every used pair of shoes collected from the community into a value-added social currency to achieve positive change, both humanitarian and economic. Most of the reusable shoes will be distributed to microenterprise programs that create jobs in Haiti and other poor nations. The resulting revenue will help fund the free distribution of new shoes in the U.S. and overseas.

- **Between April 4th and April 22nd, bring your used shoes of any kind to:**
- **For more information, please contact, Bridgette Hobson at (469) 219-2130 ext. 23130 [blmiller@prosper-isd.net](mailto:blmiller@prosper-isd.net)**
- Please visit [www.giveshoes.org](http://www.giveshoes.org) for more information on Soles4Souls or to make a donation

